



Uniting Church in Australia
SEACLIFF WEEKLY NEWS
Sunday 9 July 2023
PENTECOST 6



⁴² “When I came to the spring today, I said, ‘Lord, God of my master Abraham, if you will, please grant success to the journey on which I have come. ⁴³ See, I am standing beside this spring. If a young woman comes out to draw water and I say to her, “Please let me drink a little water from your jar,” ⁴⁴ and if she says to me, “Drink, and I’ll draw water for your camels too,” let her be the one the Lord has chosen for my master’s son.’

⁴⁵ “Before I finished praying in my heart, Rebekah came out, with her jar on her shoulder. She went down to the spring and drew water, and I said to her, ‘Please give me a drink.’ ⁴⁶ “She quickly lowered her jar from her shoulder and said, ‘Drink, and I’ll water your camels too.’ So I drank, and she watered the camels also.

⁵⁷ Then they said, “Let’s call the young woman and ask her about it.” ⁵⁸ So they called Rebekah and asked her, “Will you go with this man?” “I will go,” she said. ⁵⁹ So they sent their sister Rebekah on her way, along with her nurse and Abraham’s servant and his men.

⁶⁶ Then the servant told Isaac all he had done. ⁶⁷ Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah, and he married Rebekah. So she became his wife, and he loved her; and Isaac was comforted after his mother’s death.

What's News

THIS MORNINGS WORSHIP July 9:

“Breaking the Mould”. In a series of stories focused on men, we explore the role and faith of a courageous woman, **Rebekah**.

‘Minister’s Leave’

*Please note, Gary will be on leave from **10 - 31 July.***

Gary

Christmas Dinner 2023

The Seacliff Uniting Church Christmas Dinner will be held on Wednesday **December 6th at 6pm** at the Seacliff Surf Lifesaving Club. Please put the date of this popular and fun night in your diary now. More details, including cost, to come! If you would like to make an early booking please contact **Annette and Geoff Craven, Mobile 0438664100**. All are welcome.

Cogs n Coffee

On a brisk but clear skies day, 15 of us journeyed to Plant 4 at Brompton for a warm cup of coffee and a good chat. Nice to see Tom who drove as he is nursing a sore wrist.

Next week, we will again try for Pt. Adelaide meeting at the Warradale shops at 8.30am.

Brian

Looking for a house and cat sitter for 3 weeks in September.

Sue and Dean Davidson are heading overseas for 3 weeks in September and need a responsible person to stay at their house and look after their 18yo Burmese cat while they are away.

He is an “indoor” cat (we have an enclosed back patio for him to access) and he is very friendly: loves lots of cuddles!

If you know anyone who loves cats and would like free accommodation in Seacliff for 3 weeks (plus a negotiable amount for their trouble) can you please let us know asap.

Our house is just over the road from the Seacliff Railway Station, and 300m from the beach. Please call Sue: 0405 628 109 or Dean: 0413 039 477.

Dean

Mega Fabric Sale

The Blackwood Uniting Church, 266 Main Road, Blackwood, is holding a Mega Fabric Sale on **Friday 14th July at 10am to 2pm.** Fabric collections of unused or remnant materials will be offered for sale. Proceeds are to support Coolock House and the BUC Community Program.

Libby

St Judes Community Pantry Reminder

By chance I met the lovely lady who runs their community food program (which includes a free community meal once a week) and the pastoral care worker who looks after the kids at Brighton Primary next door. My small contribution was welcomed with a blessing - there is great need at the moment, as they are feeding hundreds of people every week.

We live in a relatively comfortably off area, so it is easy to think that there is no need - but nearly every time I make a drop off the cupboard is almost like Mother Hubbard's, not much left. We used to have a collection box in the middle hall for pantry staples - if I remember correctly the contributions were delivered to the Church of Christ on Sturt Road. I'm going to re-instate a box and am happy to be the delivery person. We could support both Grocer with a Heart and St Judes.

Please give some thought to adding just one item to your shopping list and bringing it to church on Sunday. We are people with two coats...

Shalom Maureen

Prayer points - UC E-News

This week we pray:

For an end to the violence between Palestine and Israel, and for peace for all.

For those in our community who are sick or dying, may we be reminded to care for them as God cares for us.

For university students as they enjoy a break from studying and prepare for a new semester.

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Worship Leader for Today: Rev. Gary Stuckey

Lectionary for Today: **9 July 2023: Gn 24: 34 - 38,42 - 49, 58 - 67; Ps 45: 10 - 17; Rom 7: 15 – 25a; Mt 11:16 - 19, 25 - 30.**

Reminder for Stewards: 16 July 2023

Brian Gepp Geoff Craven

Welcome to our Church.

Things you need to know, especially if you are a visitor.

Fire exits are marked. Please take note. In the case of an emergency evacuation please gather on the Western Lawns under the Pine Tree. **St John First Aid Kit** - on top of the pigeon holes up from the ramp. **Toilets** are available through the door front right of the Worship Area or out through the turn around point on the ramp. **Morning tea** is held after the service – we hope you will join with us. According to our **Covid plan**, please note the seating arrangements within the building for your safety.

Items for the Newsletter

Please email items to newsletter@seacliffuc.org.au by 5pm on Wednesdays. If you do not have access to email, please phone the church office and it will be forwarded for you.

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